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NAIROBI FOR UNEP

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT : MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: THE NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT-
PREPARATIONS AND PRECEDING MEETINGS

REFERENCE : STATE 74904

1. IN RESPONSE REFTTEL, AMBASSADOR DISCUSSED MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS
GENERALLY WITH BAHRAINI FOREIGN MINISTER NOTING PARTICULAR
IMPORTANCE WE WILL ATTACH TO SUCH ISSUES AS PUERTO RICO,
KOREA AND MULTINATIONAL ECONOMIC QUESTIONS.

2. IN COURSE OF CONVERSATION, FOREIGN MINISTER INDICATED
BAHRAIN'S PARTICIPATION IN MULTINATIONAL CONFERENCES OVER
COMING MONTHS WILL BE FAIRLY LOW-KEY. AMIR PROBABLY WILL
ATTEND COLOMBO SUMMIT IN AUGUST BUT GOB WILL NOT PARTICIPATE
IN ANY PREPARATORY MEETINGS.

3. GOB PLANS TO SEND MIDDLE-LEVEL MINISTRY OF FINANCE OFFICIAL
TO UNCTAD IV IN NAIROBI BUT NO INFLUENTIAL BAHRAINIS WILL BE
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IN ATTENDANCE.

4. FOREIGN MINISTER EXPRESSED CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN EVOLUTION OF AFRO-ARAB CONFERENCE CONCEPT BUT INDICATED IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO PIN DOWN A DATE FOR AN AFRO-ARAB SUMMIT UNTIL THERE IS AGREEMENT ON HOLDING AN ARAB SUMMIT. HE INDICATED HE HAS BEEN INVITED AS AN ARAB REPRESENTATIVE TO A MEETING SCHEDULED IN DAKAR APRIL 18-19, BUT MAY HAVE TO FOREGO OPPORTUNITY SINCE IRAQI STRONG MAN, SADDAM HUSSEIN, WILL BE VISITING BAHRAIN AT THAT TIME.

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